

Idaho Migratory Game Bird

2022-2023 Seasons & Rules



*Includes Seasons and Rules for
Crows, Doves, Snipe, Sandhill Cranes and Waterfowl*
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Be safe, enjoy your season and remember...



- **Be a mentor.** Pass on the heritage and traditions of hunting, fishing and trapping in Idaho.
- Hunting on private land is a privilege. Always get permission and thank the landowner.

2022-2023 Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp

U.S. Fish &
Wildlife Service



Celebrating our Waterfowl Hunting Heritage

Waterfowl hunters have a long history of contributing to wildlife habitat conservation. Perpetuate access for all to explore wildlife by purchasing Duck Stamps and enjoying the outdoors.



If applicable, sign your stamp.

DIRECTOR SCHRIEVER'S OPEN LETTER TO THE HUNTERS, ANGLERS AND TRAPPERS OF IDAHO



It is my honor and priority as the director of Idaho Fish and Game to continue Idaho's high-quality hunting, fishing and trapping opportunities. Whether it's dove hunting in September, duck hunting in October or snow geese in March, our migratory bird hunting offers long seasons with abundant and diverse game birds.

Unlike other hunting in Idaho, the guidelines for migratory game bird seasons and rules are set by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under the authority of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Simply put, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service determines how many days each state can allow hunting and the maximum bag limits, then the Idaho Fish and Game Commission sets season dates within those parameters after consulting with hunters to determine their preferences.

Idaho traditionally provides the most generous bag limits and longest seasons allowed, and Fish and Game staff and the Commission strive to provide as much hunting opportunity as possible during peak migration periods.

But Idaho's diverse landscapes, elevations and climates can make it challenging to create seasons that exactly coincide with prime migrations and good hunting weather in every part of the state, which is why there are various zones with different opening and closing dates.

Overall, Idaho's seasons, bag limits and rules for migratory game bird hunting remain fairly consistent, but there are some changes for the 2022-23 seasons.

- In parts of the state, duck and Canada goose seasons will open October 1, which is a Saturday, and will open October 19 in others, which is a Tuesday. This difference is to provide early season days that hunters asked for in some areas, and hunting through the end of January in other areas, which is as late as allowed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- Hunters will get another Canada goose in the bag limit in 2022-23 with the limit raising from four to five daily.
- Veterans and active-duty military will again have a special two-day hunt September 24-25, which will coincide with the traditional youth waterfowl hunt.

Hunters should see healthy populations of migratory birds, which include doves, ducks, geese, sandhill cranes, Wilson's snipe, coots and American crows. Most of these species are found statewide.

Hunters can pursue most of these birds with a hunting license, migratory bird permit, and a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation (Duck) Stamp for ducks and geese. Exceptions include sandhill cranes and swans, where a tag is required and limited numbers are available.

Considering how long the migratory game bird seasons last and how available these hunting opportunities are statewide, I want to encourage experienced hunters to share this valued Idaho tradition with young or new hunters and help them participate in our rich hunting heritage.

Hunters of all ages can take advantage of Idaho Fish and Game's "Passport Program," which is a simple, low-cost way for newcomers to try mentored hunting under these stipulations:

- Hunting Passports are only available to first-time hunters. Passport holders will need a Duck Stamp if they are 16 years or older. Those who have previously held a hunting license in any state are ineligible.
- Hunter Education certification is not needed to obtain a Hunting Passport.
- The minimum age to hold a Hunting Passport is eight years old; there is no maximum age.

You can see more details about the Passport Program at idfg.idaho.gov/hunt/passport.

Enjoy migratory game bird hunting, and thank you for supporting Idaho Fish and Game and wildlife conservation. I wish you a great year of hunting, fishing and trapping.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ed Schriever". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Ed Schriever, Director
Idaho Department of Fish and Game



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Idaho Wildlife Policy

"All wildlife, including all wild animals, wild birds, and fish, within the state of Idaho, is hereby declared to be the property of the state of Idaho. It shall be preserved, protected, perpetuated, and managed. It shall be only captured or taken at such times or places, under such conditions, or by such means, or in such manner, as will preserve, protect, and perpetuate such wildlife, and provide for the citizens of this state and, as by law permitted to others, continued supplies of such wildlife for hunting, fishing and trapping."

— Idaho Code Section 36-103

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Idaho Fish and Game offices are open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday except state holidays. Offices in the Panhandle and Clearwater regions are in the Pacific Time Zone; all others are in the Mountain Time Zone.

To Buy a License, Tag or Permit:

- In person, go to any Idaho Fish and Game office or license vendor.
- By credit card, within the United States call 1-800-554-8685. Outside the U.S., use the Internet or mail.
- From your computer or mobile device, go to **gooutdoorsidaho.com**. A service fee is added for online and telephone transactions.
- Commercial licenses and tags, duplicate tags, documents that require proof of disability, lifetime licenses, and bear baiting permits may be purchased only at Fish and Game offices.

Other Information

Rules booklets, nonresident license applications: 208-334-3700

U. S. Forest Service:

Southern Idaho fs.usda.gov/r4

Northern Idaho..... fs.usda.gov/r1

Bureau of Land Management: blm.gov/idaho

Idaho Relay Service (TDD) 1-800-377-3529

To report wildlife crimes, call Citizens Against Poaching at 1-800-632-5999.

Information can be relayed to Fish and Game personnel through any Idaho law enforcement agency.



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Information in this brochure summarizes rules and is an official proclamation of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission for the taking of wildlife. The official rules are available at **adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current** or from the Office of Administrative Rules, Department of Administration, Statehouse Mail, Boise, ID 83720, and may be reviewed in some libraries. Maps are for general reference only.

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Idaho Department of Fish and Game
Idaho Migratory Game Bird Rules 2022 & 2023

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What's New?

Different duck and goose zones

There were several changes to hunt areas and season opening and closing dates, so hunters should check to see if it affects them.

Ducks

New hunt area in the Panhandle. Seasons in Area 1 start on Wednesday, October 19 and close on January 31. See page 8.

Canada geese

The daily bag limit has been increased from four to five, statewide. There is a new hunt area in the Panhandle and in eastern Idaho. Seasons in Area 1 start on Wednesday, October 19 and close on January 31. See page 9.

White-fronted geese

There is a new hunt area in the Panhandle. The season in Area 3 was extended by one week. See page 10.

Light geese

There is a new hunt area in the Panhandle. See page 11.

Swans

The season opens on the same day as duck and Canada goose seasons. See page 12.

Sandhill crane

The number of tags was slightly increased to accommodate for an increase in the annual harvest allocation for Idaho, as per the Pacific Flyway Management Plan. See page 14.

Dove

An extended falconry season was approved for January 23, 2023 through March 10, 2023, statewide. For details on falconry see the 2022-23 Idaho Upland Game, Turkey and Furbearer Seasons and Rules booklet.



GETTING STARTED

To use this brochure:

Hunting seasons and rules for all ducks, geese, sandhill crane, doves, Waterfowl hunters are required to possess/use: and crow are available in this brochure. To get started:

- Pick the species and area you want to hunt, then refer to the section on that bird.
- Season and limit pages include maps for each hunting area.

Page 8: Duck, snipe and coot seasons, limits and areas.

Pages 9-11: Goose seasons, limits and areas.

Page 12: Swan seasons, limits and areas

Page 13: Mourning dove and crow seasons and limits

Page 14: Sandhill crane seasons and limits.

Pages 24-35: Detailed rules and related information.

It is the responsibility of the hunter to become familiar with the rules that affect the hunt in which he or she is participating. **Seasons and rules may change after a booklet is printed.** Changes or corrections are posted online at idfg.idaho.gov/rules.

Remember!

- A valid Idaho hunting license or hunting passport.
- Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit.
- Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation (Duck) Stamp for all hunters 16 years or older.
- Nontoxic shot.



License holder must validate stamp by signing across the front in ink.

Available online @
idfg.idaho.gov/duckstamp

Seasons	September	October	November	December	January	February	March
Youth* Waterfowl Hunting Weekend	Sept. 24 - 25th						
Duck Area 1		19th	7th Scaup	31st			
Duck Area 2		1st	1st	25th	13th		
Duck Area 3		1st	20th	13th	13th		
Canada Goose Area 1		19th		31st			
Canada Goose Area 2		1st		13th			
Canada Goose Area 3	1st-15th	1st		29th			
White-fronted Goose Area 1		1st		13th			
White-fronted Goose Area 2		19th		31st			
White-fronted Goose Area 3			7th		19th		
Light Goose Area 1		1st		13th			
Light Goose Area 2		19th		31st			
Light Goose Area 3			26th				10th
Light Goose Area 4		1st	9th			4th	10th
Swan		1st	1st				

* and Veterans/Active Military

REPORT DUCK AND GOOSE LEG BANDS

Why? By reporting, you help provide information used to monitor populations, set hunting regulations, restore endangered species, and address issues such as avian influenza, bird hazards, and crop depredations. Plus you will receive a report on when and where the bird was banded.



To report please visit:
reportband.gov



Youth and Veterans/Active Military Waterfowl Hunting Weekend

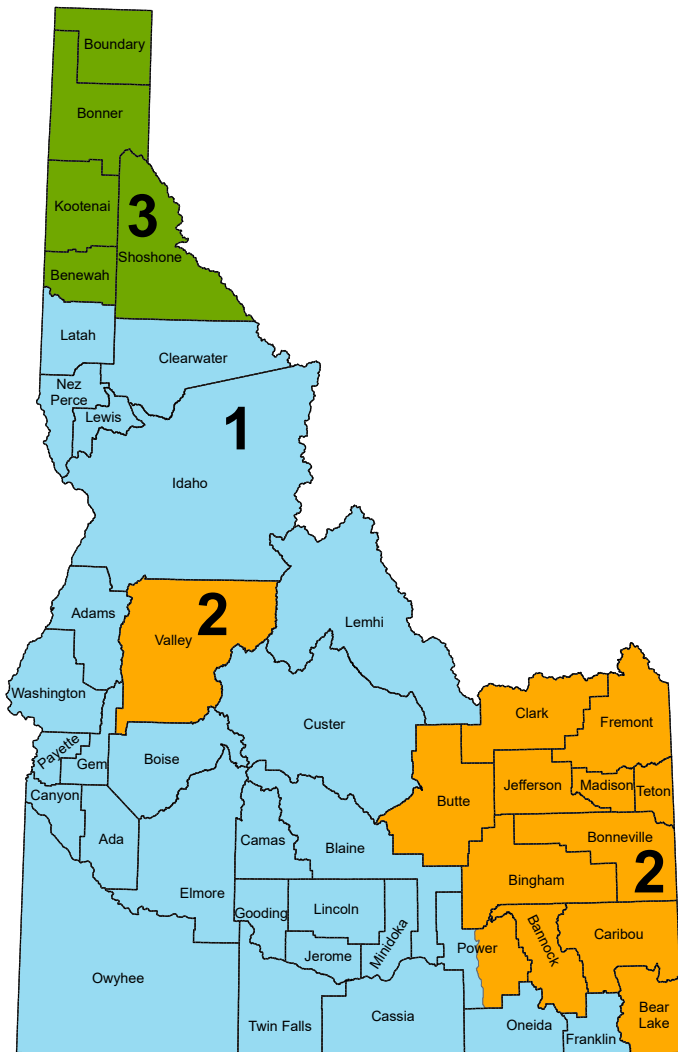
There is no better way to introduce a new hunter to the safe, ethical and responsible aspects of hunting than with the close supervision of a qualified adult mentor.

- Veterans and active military personnel are also eligible to participate in this hunt. Check idfg.idaho.gov prior to the hunt for details on veterans and active military personnel eligibility.
- Open to licensed hunters 17 years of age and younger.
- Duck, goose, and coot seasons are open for two days only, on **September 24-25, 2022.**
- Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit—required.
- Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) Stamp—not required for hunters 15 and younger.
- Daily duck, goose, and coot limits are the same as regular season limits statewide.
- At least one adult 18 years or older with a valid hunting license must accompany each youth hunting party into the field at all times. Adults are not authorized to hunt; however, veterans and active military personnel may hunt and harvest; **migratory bird (HIP) permit and Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) stamp required.**
- All other state rules and federal regulations pertaining to take of migratory game birds are in effect for this hunt.



Statewide Duck (Including Merganser), Wilson's Snipe and American Coot Seasons, Limits & Hunt Area Descriptions

DAILY BAG LIMIT: SEE BELOW | POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 TIMES DAILY BAG LIMIT



AREA 1

- **October 19, 2022 – January 31, 2023**
- **Scaup Season:**
November 7, 2022 – January 31, 2023

Area 1 includes all parts of the state NOT included in Area 2 (see blue area on map).

AREA 2

- **October 1, 2022 – January 13, 2023**
- **Scaup Season:**
October 1, 2022 – December 25, 2022

Area 2 includes all lands and waters within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, including private in-holdings, and the following counties: Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Fremont, Jefferson, Madison, the portion of Power County east of State Highway 37 and State Highway 39, Teton, and Valley (see orange area on map).

AREA 3

- **October 1, 2022 – January 13, 2023**
- **Scaup Season:**
October 20, 2022 – January 13, 2023

Area 3 includes the following counties: Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Kootenai and Shoshone (see green area on map).

Duck Bag Limit (Including mergansers)

Daily Bag Limit 7 of any kind, **except** shall not include more than the following:

- 2 female mallard
- 2 redhead
- 1 pintail
- 2 canvasback
- 2 scaup

Bag Limits for Wilson's Snipe and Coots

Wilson's Snipe

Daily Bag Limit: 8

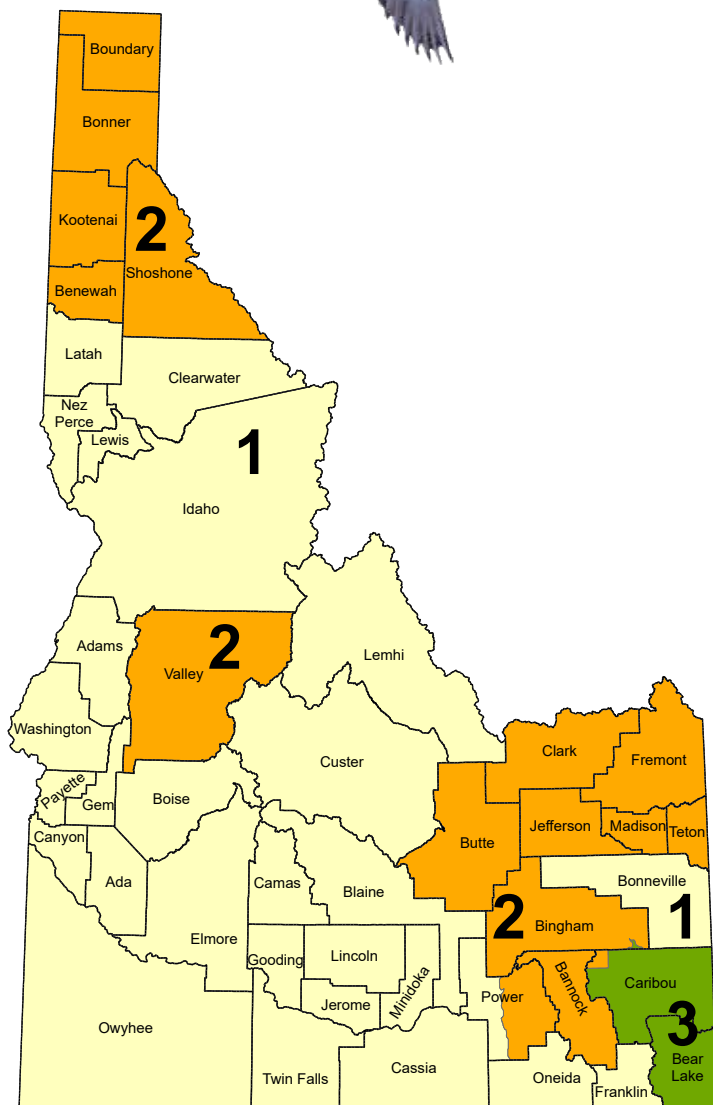
Coots

Daily Bag Limit: 25

Youth and Veterans/Active Military Waterfowl Hunting Weekend September 25-26, 2022

Canada Goose Seasons, Limits & Hunt Area Descriptions

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 5 | POSSESSION LIMIT: 15



AREA 1

- **October 19, 2022 – January 31, 2023**

Area 1 includes all parts of the state NOT included in Areas 2, 3, and 4 (see yellow area on map).

AREA 2

- **October 1, 2022 – January 13, 2023**

Area 2 includes all lands and waters within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, including private in-holdings, and the following counties: Bannock, Benewah, Bingham County except that portion within the Blackfoot Reservoir drainage, Bonner, Boundary, Butte, Caribou County within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, Clark, Fremont, Jefferson, Kootenai, Madison, Power County east of State Highway 37 and State Highway 39, Shoshone, Teton, and Valley (see orange area on map).

AREA 3

- **September 1 – 15, 2022**
- **October 1, 2022 – December 29, 2022**

Area 3 includes Bear Lake County, that portion of Bingham County within the Blackfoot Reservoir drainage, and Caribou County, except that portion within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation (see green area on map).

Areas Closed to Hunting of Migratory Game Birds, see pages 27-28.





White-fronted Goose Seasons, Limits & Hunt Area Descriptions

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 10 | POSSESSION LIMIT: 30



AREA 1

• **October 1, 2022 – January 13, 2023**

Area 1 includes all lands and waters within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, including private in-holdings, and the following counties: Bannock, Bear Lake, Benewah, Bingham, Bonner, Bonneville, Boundary, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Fremont, Jefferson, Kootenai, Madison, the portion of Power County east of State Highway 37 and State Highway 39, Shoshone, Teton, and Valley (see orange area on map).

AREA 2

• **October 19, 2022 – January 31, 2023**

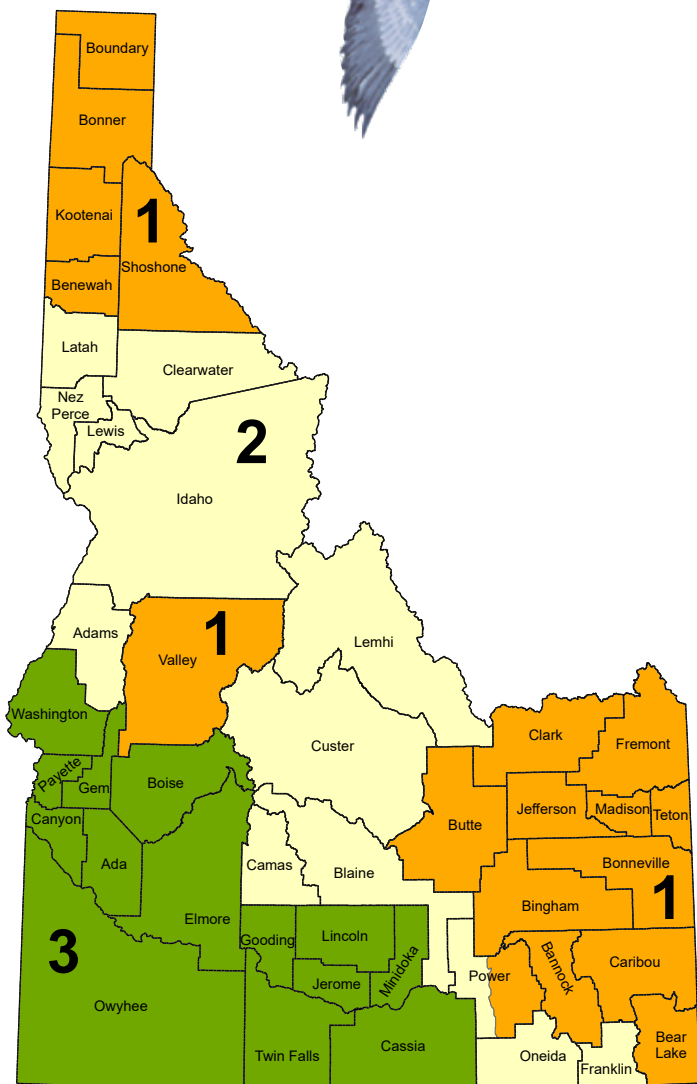
Area 2 includes all parts of the state NOT included in Area 1 and 3 (see yellow area on map).

AREA 3

• **November 7, 2022 – February 19, 2023**

Area 3 includes the following counties: Ada, Boise, Canyon, Cassia, Elmore, Gem, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Owyhee, Payette, Twin Falls, and Washington counties (see green area on map).

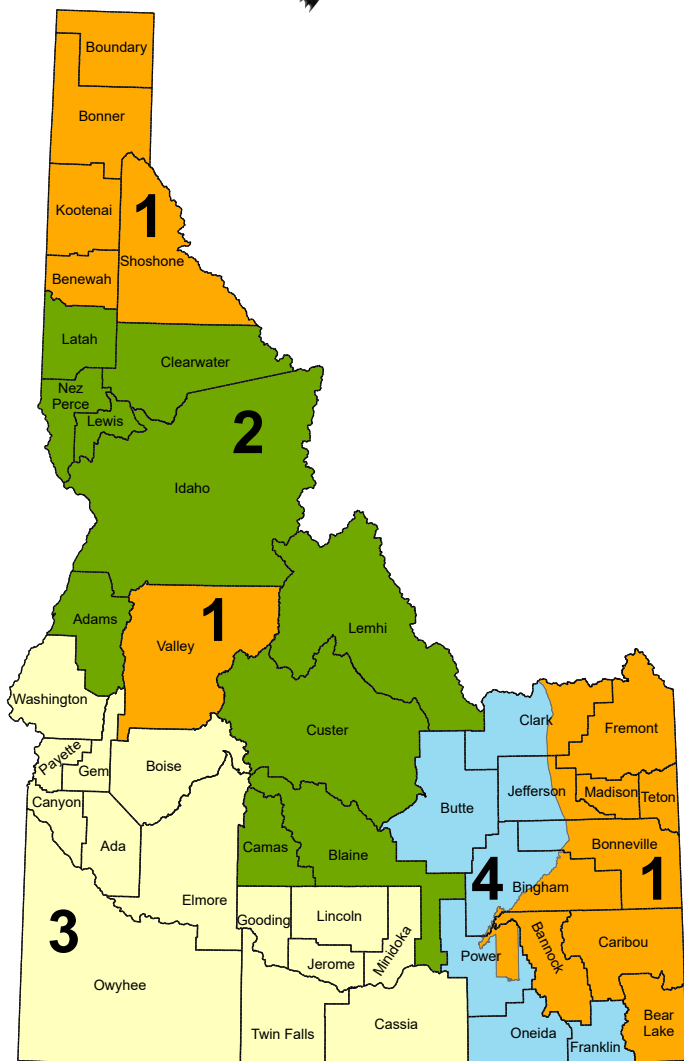
• **Closures:** In the Southwest Region, Fort Boise and Payette River WMAs, and that portion of the Roswell Marsh Wildlife Habitat Area south of State Highway 18, and the Snake River Islands Unit of the Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge will be closed February 1 – March 10, 2023.



Light Goose Seasons, Limits & Hunt Area Descriptions (Including: Blue, Ross's and Snow Geese)



DAILY BAG LIMIT: 20 | POSSESSION LIMIT: 60



AREA 1

• **October 1, 2022 – January 13, 2023**

Area 1 includes all lands and waters within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, including private in-holdings, and the following counties: Bannock, Bear Lake, Benewah, portions of Bingham County east of the west bank of the Snake River, west of the McTucker boat ramp access road, and east of the American Falls Reservoir bluff, Bonner, Bonneville County east of Interstate 15, Boundary, Carbou, Clark County east of Interstate 15, Fremont, Jefferson County east of Interstate 15, Kootenai, Madison, portions of Power County below the American Falls Reservoir bluff and within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, Shoshone, Teton, and Valley (see orange area on map).

AREA 2

• **October 19, 2022 – January 31, 2023**

Area 2 includes all parts of the state NOT included in Area 1, 3 and 4 (see green area on map).

AREA 3

• **November 26, 2022 – March 10, 2023**

Area 3 includes the following counties: Ada, Boise, Canyon, Cassia, Elmore, Gem, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Owyhee, Payette, Twin Falls and Washington (see yellow area on map).

• **Closures:** In the Southwest Region, Fort Boise and Payette River WMAs, and that portion of the Roswell Marsh Wildlife Habitat Area south of State Highway 18, and the Snake River Islands Unit of the Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge will be closed February 1 – March 10, 2023.

AREA 4

• **October 1, 2022 – December 9, 2022**

• **February 4, 2023 – March 10, 2023**

Area 4 the following counties: Bingham County west of the west bank of the Snake River, east of the McTucker boat ramp access road, and west of the American Falls Reservoir bluff, Bonneville County west of Interstate 15, Butte County, Clark County west of Interstate 15, Franklin, Jefferson County west of Interstate 15, Oneida, and Power County, except below the American Falls Reservoir bluff and those lands and waters within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation (see blue area on map).

Legal Hunting Methods for Light Geese

When all other waterfowl and migratory game bird hunting seasons, except falconry, are closed, recorded or electronically amplified bird calls or imitations of bird calls, and unplugged shotguns capable of holding more than three shells may be used to hunt light geese. These hunting methods apply to the light goose seasons in Area 3 from February 20 to March 10, 2023, and in Area 4 from February 4 to March 10, 2023.





Swan Controlled Hunt Season and Rules

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 1 | POSSESSION LIMIT: 1 | OCT. 1, 2022 – DEC. 1, 2022

Idaho's swan controlled hunt season is limited to hunting ONLY in the following northern Idaho counties: Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, and Kootenai.

Controlled Hunt Information

Eligibility: Holders of valid hunting licenses are eligible to apply for controlled hunts subject to the following restrictions:

- Holders of a Nongame Hunting License, Hunting Passport, or a Three-Day Nonresident Small Game License may not apply for any controlled hunt.

Application Dates, Group Application, & Fees:

- **May 1 – June 5:** Fall 2022 hunt application period.
- **Early July:** Winners of first drawing posted at **GoOutdoorsIdaho.com** and successful applicants notified.

Applications may be submitted electronically at any Fish and Game license vendor, by telephone (1-800-554-8685), or on the Fish and Game website. Applications must comply with the following requirements:

- Only one application per person or group will be accepted. No more than two individuals may apply on a group application. Additional applications will result in all applications being declared ineligible. For example, if John Smith submits a controlled hunt application for swan, and then Bob Smith submits a group application for himself and John Smith, both applications for John will be declared ineligible as well as Bob's application.
- Each applicant for controlled hunts must submit a \$6.25 (\$18.00 for nonresidents) nonrefundable application fee with their application.
- During the application period, Visa, MasterCard and Discover cards may be used to make telephone applications or online through **GoOutdoorsIdaho.com**. Those using the credit card system will pay a processing fee (Phone: three percent plus \$5.50; Online: three percent plus \$3.50) in addition to the nonrefundable application fee. To apply by credit card, dial 1-800-554-8685 or use the **GoOutdoorsIdaho.com**.

Swan Tag Fee: Resident is \$22.75 and Nonresident is \$74.25

Refunds Of Controlled Hunt Fee: Hunting license fees will not be refunded to unsuccessful applicants. Application fees for controlled hunts are not refundable.

Notification: It is the applicant's responsibility to find out if they were successful in the controlled hunt drawing. All applicants will receive an email with their draw results if there's a valid email in their license profile. Results will be available by August 25 at **GoOutdoorsIdaho.com**.

Nonresident Permit Limitations: No more than 10 percent of controlled hunt tags may be issued to nonresidents.

Tag Designation to Child or Grandchild: A holder of a controlled hunt tag for swans may designate that tag to the holder's child or grandchild (under the age of 18) who is otherwise qualified to participate in the hunt. The child or grandchild may be designated only one controlled hunt tag for swans per calendar year. The designation must be made before the opening date of the hunt. Resident adults can only designate tags to resident youth; nonresident adults can only designate tags to nonresident youth. For more information and a form to designate the tag, please contact your nearest Fish and Game office or visit the licensing section of Fish and Game's website.

Daily Bag Limit: 1 swan

Mandatory Check and Report – any hunter killing a swan must, within three (3) days of the date of kill, present the swan carcass (for measurement and identification) to a conservation officer, regional office or check station, and complete the relevant harvest report. A person may authorize another person to perform the check and report if that person possesses sufficient information to complete the report.

- **Swan Tag – REQUIRED**
- **Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit – REQUIRED**
- **Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) Stamp – REQUIRED**
- **Shotgun capable of carrying no more than 3 shells – REQUIRED**
- **Nontoxic Shot – REQUIRED**
- **Shot Size: No person shall take swans while in possession of shot larger than two tenths (0.2 inches) in diameter (size T)**

Swan tag holders are encouraged to take the swan orientation course at: idfg.idaho.gov/hunt/swan

Fall 2021 Controlled Hunts – Swans				
Hunt No.	Controlled Hunt Area	Tags	Season Dates	Notes
9301	1	50	Oct. 1 – Dec. 1	Hunt Area includes Benewah, Bonner, Boundary and Kootenai counties only



Mourning and White-winged Dove Seasons and Limits

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 15 | POSSESSION LIMIT: 45

Dove

- September 1, 2022 – October 30, 2022
- Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit—REQUIRED
- Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) Stamp—NOT REQUIRED
- Shotgun capable of carrying no more than 3 shells—REQUIRED
- Nontoxic Shot—NOT REQUIRED
- Shot Size: No person shall take mourning doves while in possession of shot larger than two tenths (0.2 inches) in diameter (size T).

All game birds and Eurasian-collared doves must have one (1) fully-feathered wing or the head left naturally attached during transportation. Eurasian-collared doves are larger than mourning doves. They have a black collar on the top part of the neck, pale gray coloration, and dark primary feathers. These doves are introduced and have expanded their range in Idaho. Eurasian-collared doves will not count as part of your aggregate bag of doves as long as they are identifiable with wing or head attached. This identification requirement applies all year for Eurasian-collared doves.

Eurasian-collared doves may be taken in any amounts and at any time by holders of the appropriate valid Idaho hunting or combination hunting license, provided such taking is not in violation of state, county, or city laws, ordinances, or regulations.

Mourning Dove



Pointed tail

Eurasian-collared Dove



Black collar

Square tail



American Crow Seasons and Limits

DAILY BAG & POSSESSION LIMIT: NO LIMITS

American Crow

- October 27, 2022 – February 28, 2023
- Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit—NOT REQUIRED
- Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) Stamp—NOT REQUIRED
- Shotgun capable of carrying no more than 3 shells—NOT REQUIRED
- Nontoxic Shot—NOT REQUIRED

No person shall take American crows:

- From one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise.
- With trap, snare, net, airgun, rifle, pistol or a shotgun using shells exceeding three and one-half (3½) inches maximum length.

Areas Closed to Hunting

Areas closed to hunting of upland game birds are also closed to hunting of American crows.





Sandhill Crane Seasons and Limits

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 2 | SEASON LIMIT: 2

Sandhill crane hunting occurs in eastern Idaho. One of the purposes of these hunts is to help reduce crop damage.

Tags will be available for purchase at 10AM MDT on August 1, first-come, first-served.

- **September 1-15, September 16-30, or September 1-30, 2022 depending on tag type.**
- **Sandhill Crane Tag—REQUIRED**
- **Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit—REQUIRED WITH FIRST TAG ONLY**
- **Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) Stamp—NOT REQUIRED**
- **Shotgun capable of carrying no more than 3 shells—REQUIRED**
- **Nontoxic Shot—NOT REQUIRED**
- **Shot Size: No person shall take sandhill crane while in possession of shot larger than two tenths (0.2 inches) in diameter (size T).**

Tagging

Immediately after any sandhill crane is harvested, the tag must be validated and securely attached. The tag must remain attached so long as the sandhill crane is in transit or storage.

Know Your Crane!

Please note the age of the crane you harvested. This data is important for crane harvest management.

An adult sandhill crane stands nearly four feet tall. Grayish plumage is accented by a featherless red head patch. Juveniles have tannish brown heads with no red.

Sandhill Crane Seasons, Limits and Tags		
Hunt Area	Season	Tags
1-Bear Lake	September 1-30	330
2-Teton	September 1-15	50
3-Fremont	September 1-15	48
	September 16-30	48
4-Jefferson	September 1-15	30
	September 16-30	30
5-Swan Lake	September 1-30	50
6-Malad	September 1-30	50
<i>Note: Daily limit is 2 for all hunts. The season limit is 2 cranes.</i>		

AREA 1

- Includes all of Bear Lake County and all of Caribou County, **except that portion lying within the Grays Lake Basin.**

AREA 2

- Includes all of Teton County, **except that portion lying west of state Highway 33 and south of Packsaddle Road (West 400 North) and north of the North Cedron Road (West 600 South) and east of the west bank of the Teton River.**

AREA 3

- Includes all of Fremont County, **except the Chester Wetlands Wildlife Management Area.**

AREA 4

- Includes all of Jefferson County, **except that portion beginning at the 1400 E/1750 N intersection, then west following the Mud Lake WMA boundary to the 1100 E/WMA Sparks Canal Road, then north and east following the Sparks Canal Road to the WMA North Bluff Road intersection, then east following the North Bluff Road to the WMA Lower Lake Road, then drawing a straight line south to the beginning point of 1750 N/1400 E intersection.**

AREA 5

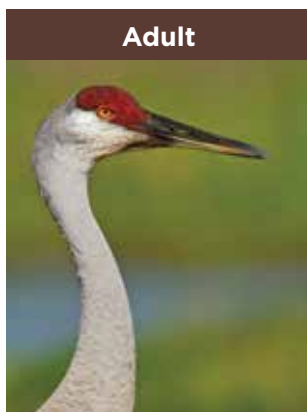
- Includes Bannock County east of Interstate-15 and south of U.S. Highway 30; and all of Franklin County.

AREA 6

- Includes that portion of Oneida County within the following boundary: beginning at the Idaho/Utah border on Old Highway 191, then north along Old Highway 191, then west on 1500 S, then west on Highway 38 to 5400 S, then south to Pocatello Valley Road, then west and south on Pocatello Valley Road to 10000 W, then south on 10000 W to the Utah/Idaho border, then east to the beginning point.



Juvenile



Adult

Official Shooting Hours for the 2022-2023 Migratory Game Bird Seasons (EXCEPT CROWS)



Official shooting hours are from 1/2 hour before sunrise until sunset. Beginning and ending times are shown in the tables below. No further adjustments are necessary.

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3	5:41	7:27	6:40	8:17	6:33	8:10	6:27	8:02
4	5:42	7:25	6:42	8:15	6:34	8:08	6:28	8:00
5	5:43	7:23	6:43	8:14	6:35	8:07	6:29	7:59
6	5:45	7:21	6:44	8:12	6:36	8:05	6:30	7:57
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STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS FOR MIGRATORY BIRD BAITING



As a hunter or land manager, it is your responsibility to know and obey all Federal and State laws that govern the sport. The following information summarizes state and federal migratory bird baiting regulations. Additional information about federal baiting regulations is described in the Summary of Federal Regulations at <https://idfg.idaho.gov/hunt/migratory/bait>.

WHAT IS BAITING?

Baiting is the direct or indirect placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of salt, grain, or other feed that could lure or attract migratory birds to, on, or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take them. A baited area is any area on which salt, grain, or other feed has been placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered, if that salt, grain, or feed could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory birds.

HOW LONG IS AN AREA BAITED?

A baited area remains off limits to hunting for 10 days after all salt, grain, or other feed has been completely removed.

HOW CLOSE TO BAIT CAN YOU HUNT WITHOUT BREAKING THE LAW?

There is no set distance. The law prohibits hunting if bait is present that could lure or attract birds to, on, or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them. Distance will vary depending on the circumstances and such factors as topography, weather, and waterfowl flight patterns. Therefore, this question can only be answered on a case-by-case basis.

WHAT IS ILLEGAL?

Examples of areas where you cannot hunt migratory birds include:

- Unharvested crops that have been trampled by livestock or subjected to other types of manipulations that distribute, scatter, or expose grain.
- Croplands where a crop has been harvested and the removed grain is redistributed or “added back” onto the area where grown.
- Areas where grain is present and stored, such as grain elevators and grain bins or areas where grain is present for the purpose of feeding livestock.
- Freshly planted wildlife food plots that contain exposed grain.
- These examples do not represent an all-inclusive list of migratory bird baiting violations.

WHAT IS LEGAL?

You can hunt migratory birds on, or over, or from:

- Standing crops or flooded standing crops, including aquatic plants.
- Standing, flooded, or manipulated natural vegetation.
- Flooded harvested croplands.
- Lands where grains have been scattered solely as the result of a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, or post-harvest manipulation.
- Lands where top-sown seeds have been scattered solely as the result of a normal agricultural planting, or a planting for agricultural soil erosion control or post-mining land reclamation.

THE HUNTER'S RESPONSIBILITY

As a hunter, you are responsible for determining whether your proposed hunting area is baited.

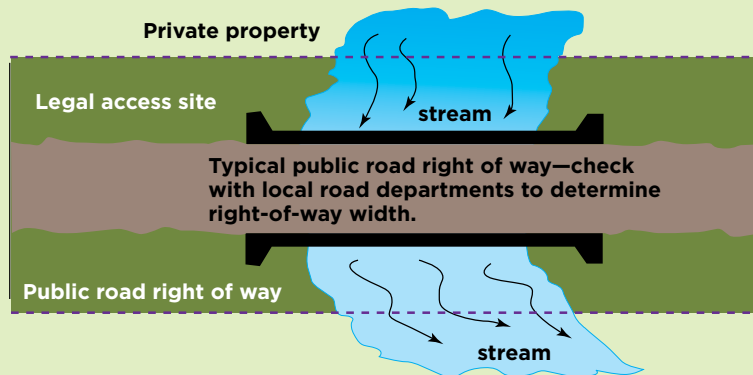
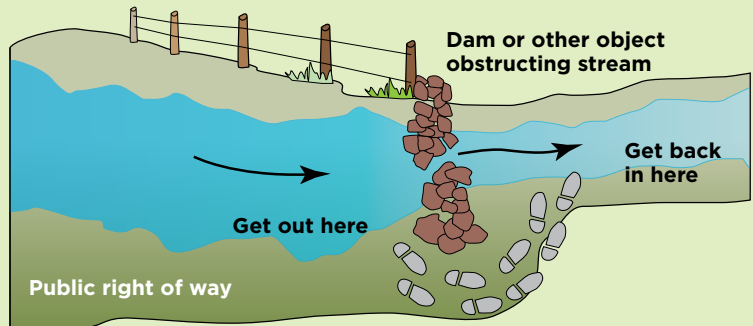
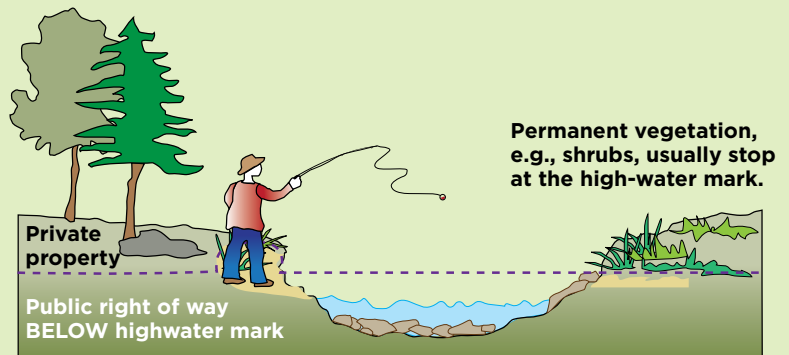
Before hunting, you should:

- Familiarize yourself with Federal and State migratory bird hunting regulations.
- Ask the landowner and your hunting partners if the area has been baited and inspect the area for the presence of bait. Suspect the presence of bait if you see waterfowl feeding in a particular area in unusually large concentrations or displaying a lack of caution.
- Look for grain or other feed in the water, along the shore, and on the field. Pay particular attention to the presence of spilled grain on harvested fields and seeds planted by means of top sowing.
- Confirm that scattered seeds or grains on agricultural lands are present solely as the result of a normal agricultural planting, normal agricultural harvesting, normal agricultural post-harvest manipulation, or normal soil stabilization practice by consulting the Cooperative Extension Service.
- Abandon the hunting site if you find grain or feed in an area and are uncertain about why it is there.

Navigable streams are defined as any stream which, in its natural high-water condition, will float logs or any other commercial or floatable commodity, or is capable of being navigated by oar or motor propelled small craft for pleasure or commercial purposes. Navigable streams are recognized as public transportation corridors, thus members of the public have the right to use the corridor, provided they enter and exit the corridor at a public right of way, and remain within the corridor. Many navigable streams flow through private property, thus it is important that anglers know their rights and responsibilities when fishing in navigable waters that flow through private property.

When fishing in navigable streams bordered by private property:

- You must stay within the normal high-water marks of the stream, unless you have landowner permission to get out on the bank, or have no other means of getting around an obstruction in the stream (such as a fence or diversion dam).
- When getting outside of the stream to go around an obstruction, take the shortest, most direct route around the obstruction to get back in the stream.
- Do not allow pets or children to trespass on adjacent private property, without landowner permission.
- You may enter and exit navigable streams at other public rights of way, such as county road bridges.
- **ASK FIRST!** Always get landowner written permission or other lawful permission before crossing private lands outside of a public right of way.





CANADA GOOSE



TUNDRA SWAN

**LIMITED
OPPORTUNITY
SWAN HUNT**
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Adult



Juvenile

SNOW GOOSE

Snow geese
have black wing tips



**WHITE-FRONTED
GOOSE**

KNOW YOUR TARGET!

Swan hunting is restricted

Two species of swan are found in Idaho: tundra and trumpeter swans. A limited swan hunt will take place in Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, and Kootenai counties in the Panhandle Region only, during fall 2022.

Swans have up to a seven-foot wingspan and weigh up to 30 pounds. Young swans (cygnets), are a medium gray color, with paler belly and wing linings, and smaller than adults. Swans fly with a slow, distinct wing beat.

Snow and Ross's geese are also white, but are much smaller and have black wing tips.

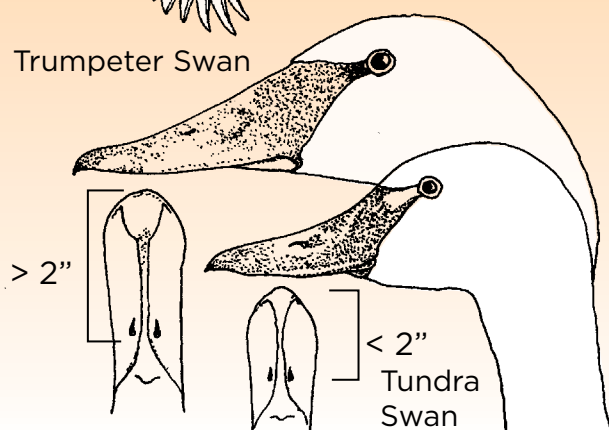
Swans are much larger and have longer necks, but they can be mistaken for light geese and are vulnerable to accidental and illegal shooting. Make sure you know the difference.

Swan tag holders are encouraged to take the swan orientation course at: idfg.idaho.gov/hunt/swan



Report all sightings of swans with neck collars to the nearest IDFG office. (See page 4)

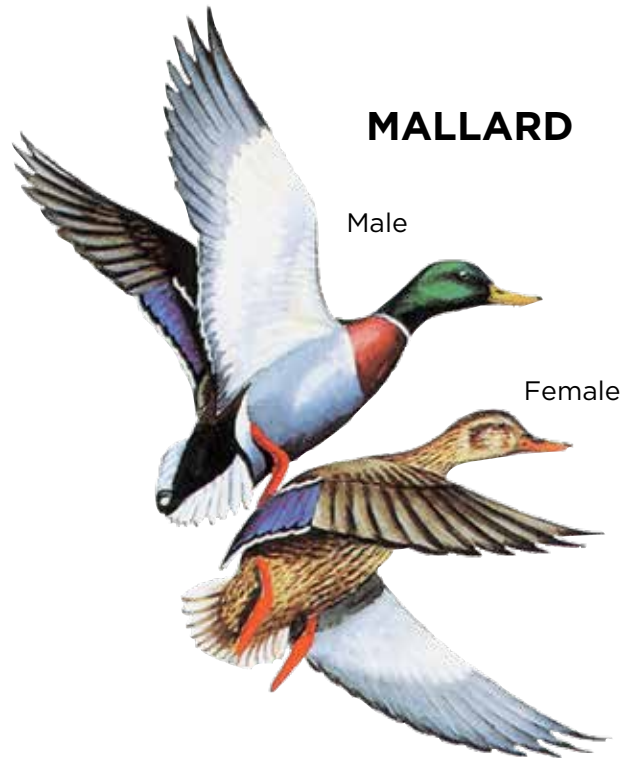
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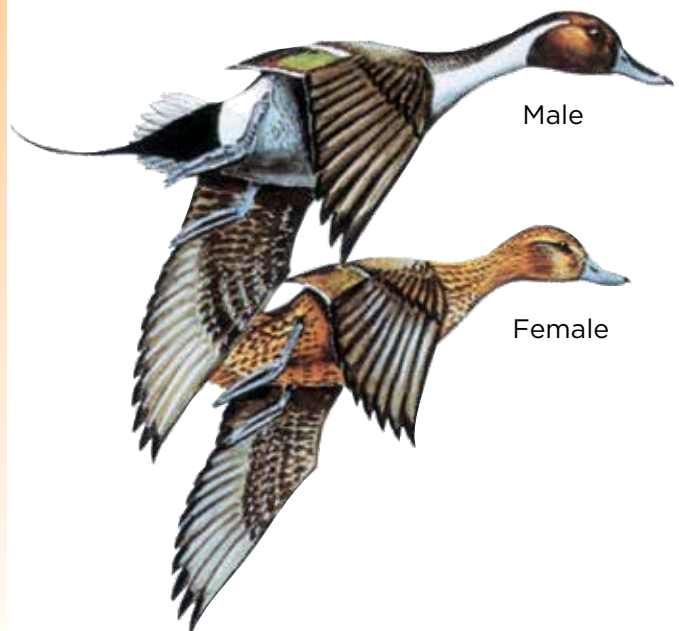
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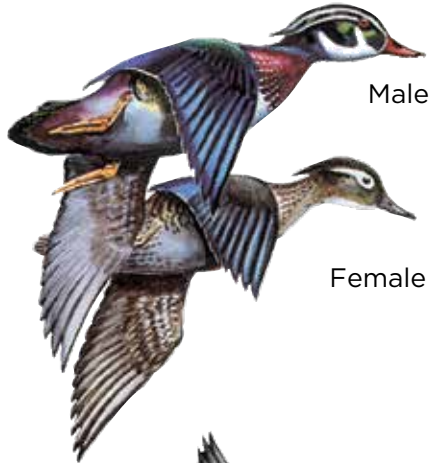
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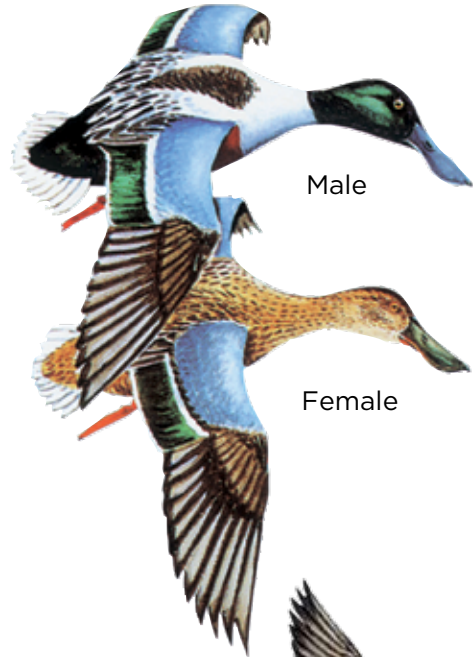
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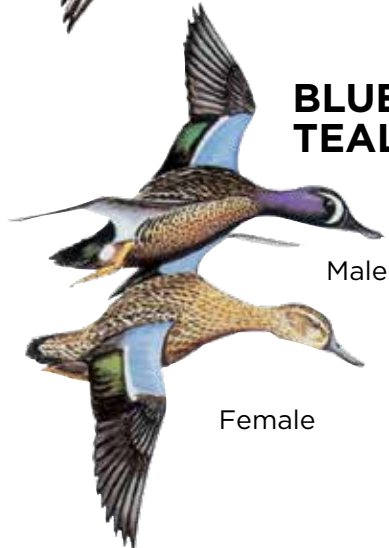
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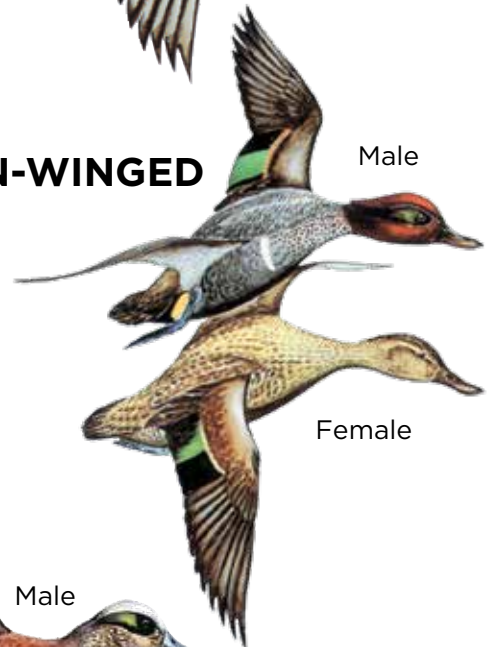
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BLUE-WINGED TEAL



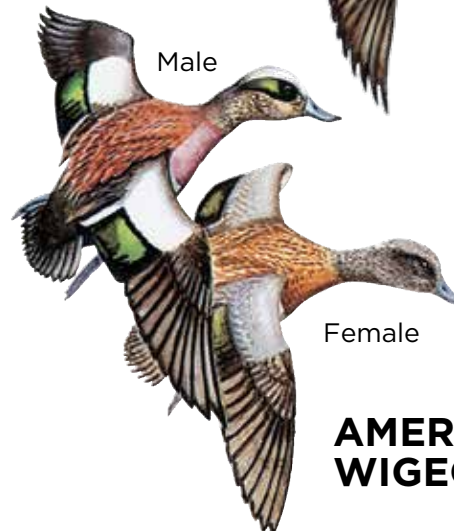
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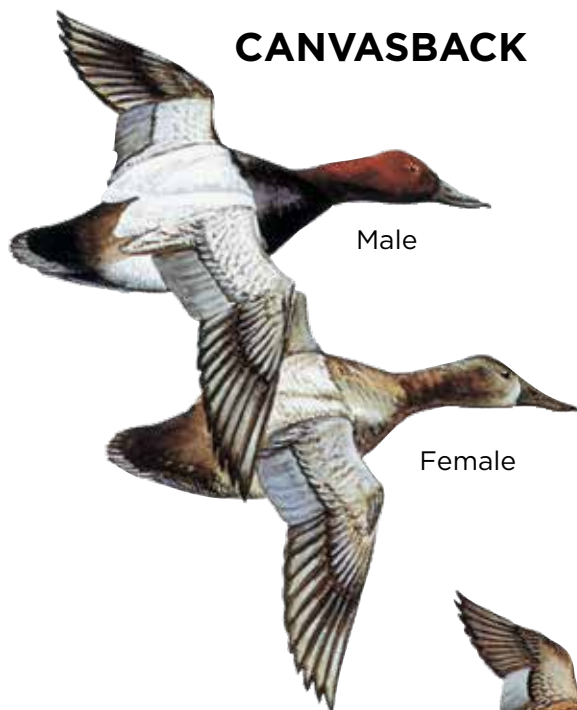
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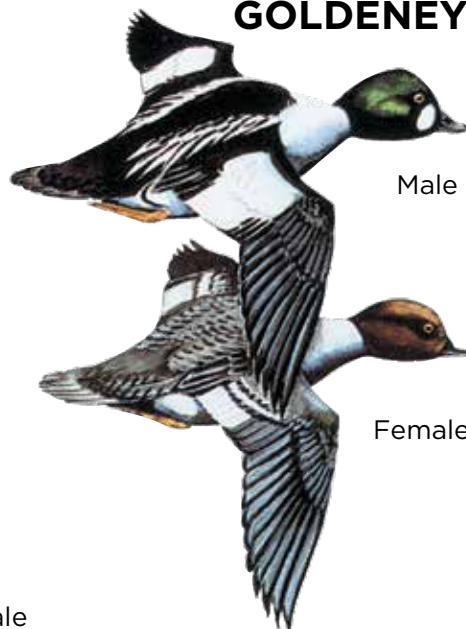
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Male

Female

COMMON GOLDENEYE

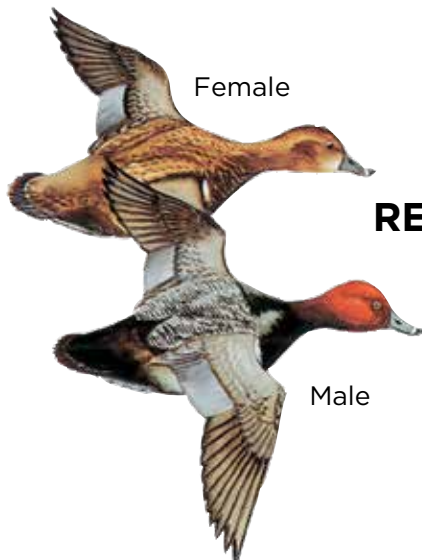


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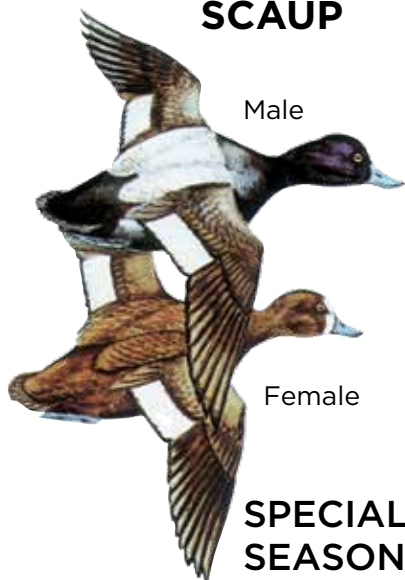
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REDHEAD



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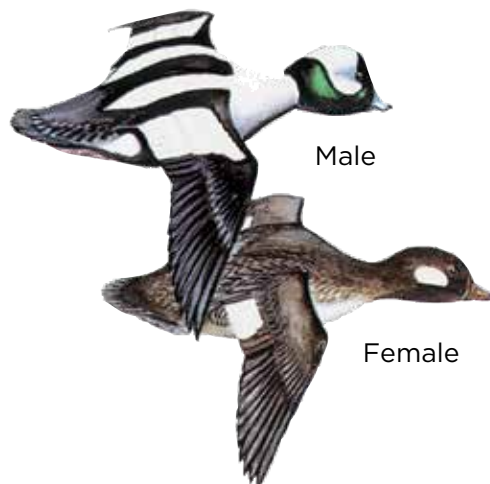
SCAUP



Male

Female

BUFFLEHEAD



Male

Female

**SPECIAL SHORTER
SEASONS FOR SCAUP**
SEE PAGE 8

GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION

License Requirements

To hunt upland game birds, waterfowl, such as ducks or geese, snipe, mourning doves and sandhill cranes, small game, predators and unprotected species or to practice falconry in Idaho, all hunters must have in their possession a valid Idaho hunting license or hunting passport with the appropriate validations and stamps.

Stamps and Validations

- **Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) Stamp** must be validated by the holder, by signing in ink across the face of the stamp by any waterfowl hunter 16 or older. Hunters may buy a receipt for the stamp at any Fish and Game office or license vendor for \$28.75. The receipt is valid 45 days from the date of issue, sufficient time for the actual stamp to arrive in the mail. They are also available at U.S. post offices for \$25.00 and online at: **GoOutdoorsIdaho.com**. The stamp is valid from July 1 through June 30 of the following year.
- **Migratory Bird (HIP) permit**, costs \$1.75 with Price Lock, \$2.75 without Price Lock for residents, or \$5.00 for nonresidents, effective from January 1 through December 31 of each year. Required for all waterfowl, sandhill crane, and mourning dove hunters.

Both are available online at: GoOutdoorsIdaho.com and at any license vendor.

Information from the Migratory Bird (HIP) permit allows migratory game bird managers to estimate more accurately the annual harvest of waterfowl, shorebirds (snipe, for example), and doves to gain a better understanding of bird populations. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and all state wildlife agencies cooperate in this program to gather better harvest information on migratory game birds. Idaho joined the program in 1996.

Federal Regulations

Idaho's waterfowl season is set within a framework determined by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service after meeting with all state fish and wildlife agencies.

Migratory birds are protected by federal law as a result of treaties signed with other countries. Protected migratory birds are listed in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 10.13. This list includes almost all birds found in the United States with the exception of the house sparrow, feral pigeon (commonly called rock dove), European starling, Eurasian collared-dove, mute swan, and upland game birds (which are protected by state laws).

MOST COMMON HUNTING VIOLATIONS

Every hunting season, some individuals unwittingly or knowingly violate the state's game laws – some more frequently than others.

Idaho Fish and Game urge all hunters to review Idaho's hunting rules and regulations to ensure they act within the law.

The following is a listing of common violations our officers encounter every hunting season:

- ⊕ Fail to validate the Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) Stamp by signing in ink. Refer to page 24.
- ⊕ Possess more migratory game birds than allowed. Refer to page 25 for federal limits.
- ⊕ Fail to purchase the Federal Migratory Bird (Duck) Stamp and/or Migratory Bird (HIP) permit, both of which are required to hunt waterfowl. Refer to page 24.
- ⊕ Fail to comply with lawful shooting hours. Refer to shooting hour charts on pages 15-17.
- ⊕ Possess and use a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler. Refer to page 25.
- ⊕ Fail to purchase a valid hunting license. Refer to page 24.

Persons with questions on these or any other Fish and Game laws and regulations can call any Fish and Game office, see page 4.

All migratory birds are protected. However, a subset of migratory birds classified as migratory game birds may be hunted in accordance with state and federal regulations. The list of migratory game birds includes species of ducks, geese (including brant), swans, doves and pigeons, cranes, rails, coots, gallinules and moorhens, woodcock and snipe, if there is an open season.

Nontoxic Shot: Nontoxic shot is required for all waterfowl hunting in Idaho. Hunters may have in their possession only nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service that is 0.20 inches in diameter (T size) or smaller. Please see idfg.idaho.gov/hunt/nontoxic for the most current list of nontoxic shot approved for waterfowl game.

Additional federal regulations: In addition to state rules, (see: "State Rules" section on page 26) the following federal regulations apply to the taking, possessing, shipping, transporting, or storing of migratory game birds. This information is only a summary of the major federal regulations which are found in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20. Violation of federal regulations is also a violation of state law.

It is against the law to take migratory game birds:

- With any shotgun capable of holding more than three shells unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler which is incapable of removal without disassembling the gun. **Except** during a light-geese-only season (greater and lesser snow geese and Ross's geese) when all other waterfowl and crane hunting seasons, excluding falconry, are closed.
- Using records or tapes of migratory bird calls, or sounds, or electronically amplified imitations of bird calls. **Except** during a light-geese-only season (greater and lesser snow geese and Ross's geese) when all other waterfowl and crane hunting seasons, excluding falconry, are closed.
- From a sink box (a low floating device having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water).
- From or with the aid or use of a car or other motor-driven land conveyance, or any aircraft, **except** that paraplegics and single or double amputees of the legs may take from any stationary motor vehicle or stationary motor-driven land conveyance. "Paraplegic" means an individual inflicted with paralysis of the lower half of the body with involvement of both legs.
- By use or aid of live birds as decoys.
- From or by means of any motorboat or sailboat unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sail furled, and its progress therefrom has ceased.
- With a trap, snare, net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun larger than a 10 gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machine gun, fishhook, poison, drug, explosive, or stupefying substance.
- By driving, rallying, or chasing birds with any motorized conveyance or any sailboat to put them in the range of the hunters.
- By the aid of baiting (placing feed such as corn, wheat, salt, or other feed to constitute a lure or enticement), or on or over any

baited area, where a person knows or reasonably should know the area is or has been baited. A baited area is considered baited for 10 days after removal of the bait, See page 18.

- During the closed season.
- Outside legal shooting hours.

Wanton Waste

No person shall kill or cripple any migratory game bird without making a reasonable effort to retrieve the bird, and retain it in his/her actual custody, at the place where taken or between that place and either (a) his/her automobile or principal means of land transportation; or (b) his/her personal abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; or (c) a migratory bird preservation facility; or (d) a post office; or (e) a common carrier facility.

Federal Bag Limits

Daily Bag Limit: No person shall take in any one day more than one daily bag limit.

No person shall possess while in the field, have in custody, or transport more than one daily bag limit between the place where taken and either:

- His/her automobile or principal means of land transportation.
- His/her personal abode or temporary place of lodging.
- A migratory bird preservation facility.
- A post office.
- A common carrier facility.

Possession Limit:

- No person shall possess more than one daily limit on the opening day of the season. See pages 8-14.
- No person shall possess more than the possession limit even when such birds are stored at home or are being processed at a commercial preservation facility. See pages 8-14.
- No person including commercial facilities shall possess migratory birds of another unless such birds are tagged by the taker with the following information: (a) the hunter's signature, (b) total number of birds involved, by species, (c) dates such birds were killed.

Tagging

No person shall give, put or leave any migratory game birds at any place or in the custody of another person unless the birds are tagged by the hunter with the following information: (a) the hunter's signature, (b) the hunter's address, (c) the total number of birds involved, by species, and (d) the dates such birds were killed. Tagging is required if the birds are being transported by another person for the hunter, or if the birds have been left for cleaning, storage (including temporary storage), shipment, or taxidermy services. See proxy statement on page 29.

Termination of Possession

The possession of birds taken by any hunter shall be deemed to have ceased when such birds have been delivered by him to:

- Another person as a gift when accompanied by a proxy statement.
- A post office, or a common carrier, or a migratory bird preservation facility, **and** consigned for transport by the Postal Service or a common carrier to some person other than the hunter.

(Note: Migratory birds left in processing or storage facilities, home freezers, etc., are part of a hunter's "possession limit" until conditions above are met. Birds must be given or assigned to someone other than the taker in order to end or terminate possession.)

Species Identification

No person shall transport within the United States any migratory game bird and Eurasian-collared dove, unless the head or one fully feathered wing remains attached to each bird at all times while being transported from the place where taken until they have arrived at the personal abode of the possessor or a migratory bird preservation facility.

Shipment

No person shall ship migratory game birds unless the package is marked on the outside with: (a) the name and address of the person sending the birds, (b) the name and address of the person to whom the birds are being sent, and (c) the number of birds, by species, contained in the package.

Importation: For information regarding the importation of migratory birds killed in another country, hunters should consult 50 CFR 20.61 through 20.66.

State Rules

It is Unlawful:

- To enter private land to hunt, fish, or trap without permission if the land is:
 - Associated with a residence or business;
 - or* Cultivated
 - or* Fenced or enclosed in a way that delineates the private property;
 - or* unfenced and uncultivated, but is posted with conspicuous "no trespassing" signs or bright orange/fluorescent paint at all property corners and boundaries where the property intersects navigable streams, roads, gates and rights-of-way entering the land and posted in a way that people can see the postings.
- It is illegal for anyone to post public land that is not held under an exclusive control lease. At first conviction of trespass on private property carries a mandatory one-year revocation of hunting/fishing/trapping licenses in addition

to misdemeanor fine and seizure of animals taken on private property.

Federal law prohibits unauthorized trespass on Indian-owned reservation lands for hunting, fishing, or trapping purposes.

- To allow or cause the waste of edible portions of any game animal, **except** for mountain lion, black bear or gray wolf. Edible portions are defined as:

Game birds - Breasts; **Upland game animals** - Hind legs, front legs and loins of rabbits and hares;

Big game animals - Hind quarters, front quarters, loins and tenderloins; **Game fish** - Fillets of fish and tails of crayfish.

- To fail to stop and report at any Fish and Game check station—with or without game or fish—encountered on your route of travel, even if your hunting, fishing or trapping activity occurred outside the state of Idaho.
- To hunt or take any wildlife without a valid hunting license on your person.
- To take any game without the proper tag or permit.
- To shoot from or across the traveled portion, shoulders, or embankments of any road maintained by any government entity.
- To hunt game from any motorized vehicle, **except** holders of a valid handicapped persons Motor Vehicle Hunting Permit may hunt from a motorized vehicle when the vehicle is not on a public road and not in motion.
- To operate any vehicle in an area designated as closed for that specific vehicle type.
- To use aircraft, including unmanned aircraft (e.g. drones), to locate game or furbearing animal and communicate location to persons on the ground, or to use any helicopter to transport hunters, gear or game **except** at established landing fields.
- To fail to produce wildlife in possession for inspection upon request of a conservation officer or other person authorized to enforce Idaho Fish and Game laws.
- To transfer any license, tag or permit or use another's license, tag or permit.
- To party hunt, or help fill another hunter's bag.
- To acquire more controlled hunt permits or tags per species than that species' bag limit.
- To destroy or disturb traps or remove any wildlife from traps belonging to others.
- To enter Idaho with livestock without a health certificate for transport and a brand inspection slip.
- To intentionally interfere with the lawful taking of wildlife or lawful predator control by another.
- To hunt any game animal or bird by means of baiting with grain, salt in any form (liquid or solid), or any other substance (not to include liquid scents) to constitute an attraction or enticement, with the exception of applicable rules for the black bear baiting permit.
- To possess or transport game or parts, including processed meat, taken by another person without having a proxy statement.

Areas Closed to all Hunting

No person may hunt, kill, trap or molest any game animal, game bird, furbearing animal, or unprotected and predatory wildlife in the following areas:

- All National Parks and National Monuments, including National Historic Parks. **Exceptions:** The portion of Craters of the Moon National Monument within the National Preserve that was added to the Monument in November 2000 is open to hunting; the portion of Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument within an area of fifty (50) feet in elevation above the high-water level of the Snake River, as marked by yellow fiberglass markers, is open to hunting downslope to the river.
- All state parks. **Exceptions:** Billingsley Creek Unit of Thousand Springs State Park, Castle Rock State Park, and state park lands within the City of Rocks National Reserve are open to hunting. Farragut State Park is open to hunting by archery only. Hells Gate State Park and Heyburn State Park are open to waterfowl hunting.
- Within the area bounded by State Highway 21, Warm Springs Avenue, and the New York Canal from the New York Canal Diversion Dam downstream to the Boise City limits.
- Mann's Lake in Nez Perce County and extending three hundred (300) yards beyond the Bureau of Reclamation property that encompasses the lake.
- Any other location for which a closure is established by Idaho Code, or Commission proclamation or order, or federal national wildlife refuge regulation or order.

Areas Closed to Hunting of all Game Birds

Hunting, killing, or molesting of any game bird is prohibited in the following areas:

- Roswell Marsh Wildlife Habitat Area in Canyon County on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from September 15 through the end of the waterfowl hunting season in the area south of Highway 18 and west of Pebble Lane (Roswell Marsh segment).

Areas Closed to Hunting of Migratory Game Birds, Except Mourning Doves

Hunting, killing, or molesting of any migratory game bird is prohibited **except** mourning dove in the following areas:

- Fort Hall Indian Reservation in Bingham, Bannock, and Power Counties within three hundred (300) yards each way of the Fort Hall Bluffs from Bigbend Boat Launch to the west boundary of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation.
- Hagerman Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Gooding County in the area enclosed by the following boundary: Beginning at a point two hundred (200) yards west of the point at which U.S. Highway 30 crosses the south bank of Gridley Island, then northwest along a line two hundred (200) yards southwest of and parallel to U.S. Highway 30 to a point two hundred (200) yards west of the junction of U.S. Highway 30 and the WMA entrance, then west and north and east along a line two hundred (200) yards outside of the WMA boundary,

which is marked by a fence, to the point at which the fence meets U.S. Highway 30, then east and south along a line five hundred (500) yards outside of the WMA boundary to the Snake River, then downstream along the north bank of the Snake River and then along the south bank of Gridley Island to the point where U.S. Highway 30 crosses the south bank of Gridley Island, then two hundred (200) yards west of U.S. Highway 30 to the point of beginning. **Exception:** Department sponsored waterfowl hunts.

- Mormon Reservoir in Camas County including the shoreline area within two hundred (200) yards of the ordinary high water line.
- Spokane River in Kootenai County from the Post Falls Dam to Lake Coeur d'Alene at the orange pilings, within two hundred (200) yards of the ordinary high water line two thousand one hundred twenty-eight (2,128) feet above sea level.

Areas Closed to Goose Hunting

- Canyon County in the area enclosed by the following boundary and within one hundred fifty (150) feet of the exterior side of said boundary (except that the closure extends to one hundred (100) yards from the exterior side of said boundary along that section commencing at the junction of Lake Shore Drive and Rim Road, then south on Rim Road to west Lewis Lane, then east on west Lewis Lane to Lake Shore Drive, then along Lake Shore Drive to Emerald Road): Beginning approximately at the junction of State Highway 45 (12th Avenue Road) and Greenhurst Road (Nampa), then west following Greenhurst Road to its junction with Middleton Road, then north following Middleton Road to its junction with Lake Lowell Avenue, then west following Lake Lowell Avenue to its junction with Lake Avenue, then north following Lake Avenue to its junction with West Roosevelt Avenue, then west following West Roosevelt Avenue to its junction with Indiana Avenue, then north following Indiana Avenue to its junction with State Highway 55 (Karcher Road), then west following State Highway 55 to its junction with Riverside Road, then south following Riverside Road to the Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge boundary, then west along boundary fence below lower embankment as posted to Lake Shore Drive, then in a southeast direction following Lake Shore Drive to its junction with Marsing Road, then east and south on Lake Shore Drive to Rim Drive, then south on Rim Drive to West Lewis Lane, then east on West Lewis Lane to Lake Shore Drive, then southeast on Lake Shore Drive to State Highway 45, then north on State Highway 45 to the point of beginning.
- Hagerman Valley in Gooding and Twin Falls Counties in the area enclosed by the following boundary: Beginning at the Gridley Island Bridge on the Snake River, then south and east along the south bank to a point perpendicular to mile marker 187.5, then on a direct line east to the southern tip of Ritter Island (in the Snake River), then continuing east to the intersection of 3200 South Road and 1300 East Road, then north on the 1300 East Road to the 1200 East Road,

then northwest and north on the 1200 East Road to the 3000 South Road, then west on the 3000 South Road to a point five hundred (500) yards east of the intersection of the 3000 South Road and the Hagerman National Fish Hatchery Road (east of the Hagerman WMA boundary), then north and west five hundred (500) yards outside the Hagerman WMA boundary to U.S. Highway 30, then west and south two hundred (200) yards outside the Hagerman WMA boundary to 2900 South Road, then west on 2900 South Road to 900 East Road, then due south to a point two hundred (200) yards north of the Snake River, then west and north two hundred (200) yards outside the high water line on the east bank of the Snake River to Lower Salmon Dam, then west across the Snake River, then south, southwest and east two hundred (200) yards outside the high water line on the west bank of the Snake River (including the Idaho Power Upper Salmon Dam diversion canal) to the Gridley Bridge, the point of beginning.

- Minidoka and Cassia Counties in the area enclosed by the following boundary: Within two hundred (200) yards of the high water line of the Snake River from Milner Dam upstream to Meridian Road (north side of the Snake River) and 650 East Road (south side of the Snake River), approximately six and one-half (6 1/2) miles east of the City of Burley.

Activities on Fish and Game Lands

Some of the activities prohibited on all lands, waters and roads under control or administration of Idaho Fish and Game include:

- Entering, using or occupying lands or waters posted against such entry, use, or occupancy.
- Constructing blinds, pits, platforms, or tree stands where the soil is disturbed, trees are cut or altered, and artificial fasteners, such as wire, rope, or nails are used. All blinds shall be available to the public on a “first-come, first-served” basis.
- Leaving decoys unattended. Decoys may not be placed earlier than two hours before official shooting hours for waterfowl. All decoys must be picked up and removed from the hunting site no later than two hours after official shooting hours for waterfowl for that particular day. Driving on Fish and Game property to place decoys is prohibited.
- Special rules relating to uses of and activities on wildlife management areas are detailed in a brochure titled “Public Use of Department Lands and Access Areas,” available from Fish and Game regional offices.

Bird Dog Training Permits

- A permit is required to train bird dogs on private/public lands (excluding licensed shooting preserves) when the release of artificially propagated upland game birds or waterfowl will be part of the training process. Permit applications are available at Fish and Game regional offices.
- A permit is required to sponsor/conduct any organized competitive dog trials/tests on private or public lands (excluding licensed shooting preserves) when artificially propagated game birds are used. The permit is required even

if live birds are not used or released during the trial on Wildlife Management Area lands. Permit applications are available at Fish and Game regional offices.

State Park Rules

Certain types of hunting are allowed on some state parks. Please contact the state park you are interested in visiting to determine hunting opportunity.

Protection of Wildlife: All molesting, injuring or killing of any wild creature is strictly prohibited, **except** as provided by action of the Idaho State Parks and Recreation Board and as established in board policy. Persons in possession of wildlife, which may be legally taken within state park boundaries, must comply with Idaho Fish and Game rules.

Personal Safety: No person may purposefully or negligently endanger the life of any person or creature within any land administered by the Department of Parks and Recreation. No person may discharge firearms or any other projectile firing devices within any lands administered by the Department of Parks and Recreation, **except** in the lawful defense of person, persons or property or in the course of lawful hunting, or for exhibition or at designated ranges as authorized by the director of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Other Rules

National Wildlife Refuges: More restrictive regulations may apply to National Wildlife Refuges. Hunters should check refuge regulations before hunting.

Indian-owned Reservation Lands: Federal law prohibits unauthorized trespass on Indian-owned reservation lands for hunting, fishing, or trapping purposes (18 US Code 1165).



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Idaho is a member of the Wildlife Violator Compact, which means that if an individual's hunting, fishing or trapping license is revoked by any of the 48 member states; all the remaining states will revoke the same license or privilege for the same time period.

Anyone with information about a wildlife violation are encouraged to "Make the Call" and contact the Citizens Against Poaching (CAP) hotline at **1-800-632-5999**. Callers may remain anonymous, and they may be eligible for a reward.



PROXY STATEMENT (To transport wildlife taken by another person)

Taker's Name _____ Taker's Signature _____

Taker's Address _____

License No. _____ Tag No. _____

Species <small>(Circle)</small>	#Taken	Date Killed	Unit/Hunt Area	Sex
Mallard				
Green-winged Teal				
Common Goldeneye				
Canada Goose				
Dove				
White-fronted Goose				
Snow Goose				
Other				

Other Game:

Species _____ #Taken _____ Date Killed _____

LICENSES, TAGS AND PERMITS

To Buy a License, Tag or Permit

- Visit an Idaho Fish and Game office or license vendor.
- Download the “GoOutdoorsIdaho” mobile application from the Google Playstore or Apple Appstore.
- From your computer or mobile device, go to **GoOutdoorsIdaho.com**
- Within the United States call 1-800-554-8685.
- For an overview of all license buying options, visit **idfg.idaho.gov/buy**
- Commercial licenses, duplicate tags, documents that require proof of disability, lifetime certificates, and bear baiting permits may be purchased only at Fish and Game offices.

When buying licenses by telephone, the buyer will be assigned a confirmation number that may be used in lieu of the actual license for 14 days from the date of issue. When this number is used, the person must carry their driver’s license or identification card. A confirmation number may not be used in lieu of a tag or permit such as salmon/steelhead or Upland Game Bird Permits. Purchasers must wait until tags or permits arrive in the mail.

Licenses purchased online must be printed from the buyer’s computer; they will not be mailed. However, all tags and noticable permits will be mailed. A confirmation number may not be used in lieu of a tag or salmon/steelhead permit. Purchasers must wait until tags or permits arrive in the mail.

The charge for phone-in purchases is three percent of the transaction plus \$5.50 (unless requesting a license be mailed then \$6.50); the charge for online purchases is three percent of the transaction plus \$3.50 (unless requesting a license be mailed then \$4.50.)

Any license, tag or permit that is defaced or altered is invalid from the date and time of issue. It is unlawful to use or attempt to use any license that has been defaced or altered.

Nonresidents: If you hunt with an outfitter in Idaho, the outfitter should buy your tags through the “outfitter set-aside” pool of tags.

Sale Dates: Most licenses and tags go on sale December 1, but resident deer, and elk tags are not available until after the controlled hunt drawings are done. Sage Grouse tags go on sale August 1. Most licenses are valid only for the calendar year for which they are issued.

Hunter and Bowhunter Education

- To buy a hunting license, all hunters must show proof that they have completed a hunter education course if they were born on or after January 1, 1975, unless they have held a valid hunting license from Idaho or another state.
- To buy an archery permit, all bowhunters must possess a valid hunting license and show proof they have completed an approved bowhunter education course or show evidence of having been licensed for an archery-only hunt in Idaho or another state, or complete an affidavit to that effect.
- Course and registration information can be found on Fish and Game’s website or by contacting any Fish and Game office.
- **Individuals planning to participate in fall hunts are encouraged to enroll in a course before June 30, as the number of courses offered becomes very limited closer to fall hunting seasons.**
- Prospective hunters have two course options to receive their certification: **Instructor-led Course** – 12 to 18 class hours

plus an outdoor field day and final written exam. **Online Course** – A self-paced, online instruction and an online exam. An additional outdoor field day may be required for hunter certification, check **idfg.idaho.gov/hunt/education**.

Refund Policy

No refunds will be made on resident licenses, tags or permits. No refunds will be made on fishing licenses. Nonresident hunting licenses and tags may be refunded less issuance fees and a \$50 processing fee, in the event of:

- Illness or injury that disables a license holder for the entire applicable hunting season.
- Military deployment of license holder due to armed conflict.
- Death of the license holder’s parent, spouse or child.

Tags and license must be returned with proof (death certificate, obituary, written justification by a licensed medical doctor, or copy of military orders). Hunting license fees will not be refunded after the license is used to apply for a controlled hunt or to buy a turkey, mountain lion or bear tag. The request must be postmarked by December 31 of the year in which the license was valid, except for “event of death” refund, which must be submitted within 1 year of the death.

A controlled hunt permit and tag may be made available in the same hunt for purchase by an immediate family member of a person who died before using his or her tag. Contact Licenses at (208) 334-2592.

If a refund is requested for any other reason, only the tag fees (not the license or permit fee) may be refunded at the following sliding scale rate:

- Postmarked before April 1 – 75 percent refund.
 - Postmarked April 1 through June 30 – 50 percent refund.
 - Postmarked July 1 through August 31 – 25 percent refund.
 - Postmarked September 1 through December 31 – No refund.
- For more information please visit **idfg.idaho.gov/nonresident-refund-information**.

Resident Disabled Licenses

Any resident certified as permanently disabled or eligible for federal supplemental income (SSI), social security disability income (SSDI), railroad retirement board disability, a nonservice-connected veteran’s pension, or a service-connected veteran’s disability benefit with 40 percent or more combined/overall disability rating, may qualify for a “disabled” license. An applicant must provide either a benefit verification letter from the Social Security Administration in their name showing they are receiving SSI or SSDI benefits for the current year, or a letter from the Railroad Retirement board verifying disability status and being dated within 3 years preceding application for a license, or an official identification card issued by the U.S. Department of Defense, or a letter of any date from the U.S Department of Veterans Affairs verifying a service-connected disability rating of 40% or greater, or a current year’s letter from the Veteran Affairs office showing the applicant is receiving a nonservice-connected pension, or a form prescribed by the department that certifies permanent physical disability. A physically disabled person means a person who has lost the use of one (1) or

both lower extremities or both hands, or is unable to walk 200 feet or more unassisted by another person or without the aid of a walker, cane, crutches, braces, prosthetic device or a wheelchair, or is unable to walk 200 feet or more without great difficulty or discomfort due to one or more of the following impairments: neurological, orthopedic, respiratory, cardiac, arthritic disorder, blindness (a medically documented loss or impairment of vision and includes any person whose visual acuity with correcting lens does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye, or whose vision in the better eye is restricted to a field which subtends an angle of not greater than 20 degrees), or the loss of function or absence of a limb.

An applicant may present a valid Idaho driver's license if the holder meets disability requirements or section 49-117(7)(b), Idaho Code, and license is marked as disabled.

Disabled licenses may be purchased at Fish and Game offices, selected license vendors (see website for list), and through the mail.

Disabled Hunter/Companion

The rules for a companion assisting a disabled hunter allow the companion to take an animal that has been wounded by the disabled hunter and to place and validate the disabled hunter's tag on the animal.

The rules apply for disabled hunters who possess a valid disability license, disabled archery permit, a disabled hunt-from-a-motor-vehicle permit and a valid tag, or a disabled veteran participating in a hunt as provided in section 36-408(7), Idaho Code, and has a valid tag or permit.

The companion is not required to have a tag or controlled hunt permit to assist a disabled hunter. However, the companion must have a valid license and applicable special weapon permit (i.e. – for an archery only hunt, the companion would need an archery permit) when assisting a disabled hunter.

The companion must have a written statement of designation from the disabled hunter while hunting with the disabled hunter or assisting them with taking and tagging their harvested animal. The statement must include the disabled hunters name, address, hunting license, big game tag number and the dates of the designation as a companion.

The companion must accompany the disabled hunter while hunting and they are required to be within normal conversation or hearing range without shouting or the aid of electronic devices.

For more information about the rules for a companion to a disabled hunter, please contact your local Fish and Game office.

Resident Lifetime License Certificates

The purchase of a lifetime certificate could be the best investment you ever make. Lifetime certificates authorize all privileges associated with a corresponding annual license, are valid for the life of the certificate holder and are available to Idaho residents. The lifetime certificate does not include tags and permits. If a lifetime certificate holder moves out of Idaho, they will continue to receive an annual license, but will pay nonresident tag and permit fees. Lifetime certificates can be purchased at IDFG offices only.

Applicant	Combination	Hunting	Fishing
0 - 1 year	\$795.50	\$276.75	\$601.75
2 - 50 years	\$1,113.00	\$386.75	\$841.75
51 and older	\$636.75	\$221.75	\$481.75

Idaho Residency Requirements

Proof of residency is required to buy any resident license. A previous year's license is not proof of residency.

1. Drivers must present: A valid Idaho driver's license and must have been domiciled in the state of Idaho for the last six months immediately prior to purchasing a resident license, tag or permit. Owning real property or paying property taxes within the state of Idaho does not in itself establish residency. You cannot claim resident privileges in any other state or country if you intend to claim residency and purchase resident licenses in the state of Idaho. To purchase resident products online through the **GoOutdoorsIdaho.com** licensing site, you must provide a valid Idaho driver's license.

2. Non-drivers must present: An Idaho identification card issued by the Department of Transportation; or a combination of two documents bearing your name and address but not issued by yourself. Non-drivers can validate their residency at any in-person sales location, including License vendor locations and any IDFG regional office.

Examples include:

- Home utility bills for the previous six months.
- Rent receipts or mortgage statements for the previous six months.
- Notarized statement from an employer on business letterhead.
- Proof of voter registration dated six months prior.
- For a minor child under 18, identification from a parent.

3. Military members: A member of the military service of the United States or a foreign country, state National Guard or Air National Guard, together with spouse and children under 18 years of age, residing in his/her household, who have been officially transferred, stationed, domiciled and on active duty in the state of Idaho for a period of 30 days last preceding application, as long as such assignment continues, is eligible to purchase a resident license. To show eligibility you need: A current "Military Status and Residency Affidavit" signed by first sergeant, section commander or commander; or a current request and authorization for permanent change of station showing a 'report no later than' date within the last 60 days; or a combination of two documents given in number two (2) above dated thirty (30) days prior.

This is a summary of residency requirements, for additional details see Idaho Code 36-202(S) and 36-405; online at idfg.idaho.gov/title36 and idfg.idaho.gov/idapa13 or contact your local Fish and game office. Persons who do not qualify as residents must purchase a nonresident license.

Hunting Passports

Hunting Passports are available only to first time hunters. Anyone who has previously held a hunting license in any state is not eligible. For more information, visit: idfg.idaho.gov/hunt/passport, or contact your local Fish and Game office.

Resident License, Tag and Permit Fees

Prices listed below include prices for those who have held a valid annual/3 year license in 2019 and 2020 who are considered "Price Locked" and prices for those who are not price locked. To opt in to the price lock you may purchase a 3 year license. See important notes on next page.

FEE OR LICENSE	WITH PRICE LOCK		WITHOUT PRICE LOCK	
	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁷	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁷
Access-Depredation Fee for Adults	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$10.00
Access-Depredation Fee for Jr./Sr./DAV/Furlough	2.00	4.00	2.00	4.00
A license buyer is required to pay this annual fee when purchasing their first annual license of the year. It will not apply to any additional annual licenses purchased later in the year, nor is it required to purchase a daily license.				
Adult Licenses: 18 years of age and older				
Sportsman’s Package (Adult or Youth) ¹	\$124.25	N/A	\$144.60	N/A
Combination (Hunting & Fishing)	33.50	97.00	38.75	97.00
Disabled Combination	5.00	11.50	5.75	11.50
Military Furlough Combination	17.50	N/A	20.50	N/A
Hunting	12.75	34.75	15.75	34.75
Fishing	25.75	73.75	30.50	73.75
Daily Fishing (first day) ⁸	11.50	N/A	13.50	N/A
Each consecutive day at initial time of purchase	5.00		6.00	
Disabled Fishing	5.00	11.50	5.75	11.50
Military Furlough Fishing	17.50	N/A	20.50	N/A
Trapping (expires June 30)	26.75	N/A	29.75	N/A
Taxidermist/Furbuyer (expires June 30) ²	40.00	5-yr-176.75	40.00	5-yr-176.75
Hunting Passport (8+ yrs Junior or Adult) ⁶	1.75	N/A	1.75	N/A
Youth Licenses				
Junior Combination (Hunting & Fishing, 14-17 yrs)	\$17.50	\$49.00	\$19.75	\$49.00
Junior Hunting (10-17 yrs) ⁵	7.25	18.25	8.25	18.25
Junior Fishing (14-17yrs)	13.75	37.75	16.00	37.75
Youth Trapping (expires June 30)	7.25	N/A	8.25	N/A
Senior Licenses - 65 or Older				
Senior Combination (Hunting & Fishing)	\$11.75	\$31.75	\$13.75	\$31.75
Permits and Validations				
Archery or Muzzleloader Permit	\$18.25	N/A	\$19.50	N/A
DAV Archery or Muzzleloader Permit	3.75		3.75	
Bear Baiting Permit ²	12.75		15.00	
Hound Hunter Permit	12.75		15.00	
Upland Game Bird Permit (Department-stocked birds ;18+ yrs)	23.75 ea.		28.75	
Sharp-tailed Grouse Permit	4.75		5.75	
Disabled Archery or Disabled Motor Vehicle Permit ^{2,3}	1.75		1.75	
Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit	1.75		2.75	
Salmon or Steelhead Permit	12.75		15.25	
Two-Pole Permit	13.75		15.00	
Adult Tags				
Deer	\$19.75	N/A	\$24.75	N/A
Elk	30.75		36.75	
Pronghorn	31.25		36.50	

FEE OR LICENSE	WITH PRICE LOCK		WITHOUT PRICE LOCK	
	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁷	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁷
Adult Tags				
Bear/Second Bear and Mt. Lion/Second Mt. Lion	\$11.50 ea.	N/A	\$13.75	N/A
Gray Wolf	11.50 ea.		13.75	
Gray Wolf Trapping (expires June 30)	11.50 ea.		13.75	
Turkey	19.75		22.75	
Second Turkey or Subsequent Turkey	12.25 ea.		12.25 ea.	
Special Unit Turkey	5.00 ea.		5.00 ea.	
Sage-grouse	22.75 ea.		22.75 ea.	
Sandhill Crane	19.75 ea.		22.75 ea.	
Swan	22.75		22.75	
Moose, Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat (tag only, does not include application fee)	166.75		199.75	
Youth, Senior and DAV Tags ⁴				
Deer ⁴	\$10.75	N/A	\$12.50	N/A
Elk ⁴	16.50		18.75	
Bear and Second Bear ⁴	6.75 ea.		7.75	
Turkey ⁴	10.75 ea.		12.50 ea.	
Controlled Hunt				
Application for Deer, Elk, Pronghorn, Bear, or Turkey	\$6.25 ea.	N/A	\$6.25 ea.	N/A
Application for Moose, Sheep or Mt. Goat	16.75		16.75	

For licenses not listed, please visit our web page at: idfg.idaho.gov


Resident Notes:


- ¹ The sportsman's package includes deer, elk, turkey, bear, gray wolf and mountain lion tags, and archery, muzzleloader, salmon and steelhead permits.
- ² Available only at Idaho Fish and Game offices.
- ³ Disability must be certified by a medical doctor on a Fish and Game form.
- ⁴ Must have a senior combination or hunting license, a junior combination or hunting license, a junior hunting passport, or a DAV combination or hunting license.
- ⁵ All youth younger than twelve must be accompanied in the field by an adult license holder close enough to be within normal conversation or hearing range without shouting or the aid of electronic devices. A 9-year old may buy a license to apply for a controlled hunt tag, but he or she must be 10 years old at the time of the hunt.
- ⁶ Anyone hunting with this license must be accompanied in the field by an adult license holder close enough to be within normal conversation or hearing range without shouting or the aid of electronic devices.
- ⁷ If a 3-year resident hunting, fishing or combination license holder moves out of Idaho, the license will remain valid, but the holder will be required to purchase nonresident tags and permits.
- ⁸ Price Lock on daily fishing is only available as long as the customer has a current year annual or a valid multiyear hunting license. Otherwise customer must pay fees in column 3.

Save Time, Buy Online!

Purchase your licenses,
permits, and tags
online now at
gooutdoorsidaho.com

Licenses are instantly available upon purchase, please allow 7-10 business days to receive tags and permits by mail. There is a processing fee for online purchases.





Nonresident License, Tag and Permit Fees

Prices listed below are as of December 1, 2021. Prices may change without notice. Licenses, tags and permits are valid through December 31, except where noted. All tags, permits and applications require the purchase of a license.

FEE OR LICENSE	ANNUAL	3-YEAR
Access-Depredation Fee for Adult	\$10.00	\$20.00
Access-Depredation Fee for Jr./DAV	4.00	8.00
A license buyer is required to pay this annual fee when purchasing their first annual license of the year. It will not apply to any additional annual licenses purchased later in the year, nor is it required to purchase a daily license.		
Adult Licenses: 18 years of age and older		
Combination Hunting & Fishing	\$264.00	788.50
Hunting (includes three-day fishing license each year of license)	185.00	551.50
Disabled American Veteran Hunting (DAV) ⁶ (Includes three-day fishing license)	31.75	N/A
Small Game Hunting	141.75	N/A
Three-Day Nonresident Small Game Hunting	71.75	N/A
Nongame Hunting	39.00	N/A
Shooting Preserve Hunting	26.00	N/A
Fishing	108.00	291.25
Daily Fishing (first day)	22.75	N/A
Each consecutive day at initial time of purchase	7.00	
Three-day Salmon/Steelhead	44.75	N/A
Trapping (expires June 30)	331.75	N/A
Taxidermist/Furbuyer ¹ (expires June 30)	187.00	N/A
Hunting Passport ² (8+years Junior or 18+years Adult)	1.75	N/A
Junior Mentored & Youth Licenses		
Junior Mentored Hunting ⁵ (10-17 yrs) (Includes three-day fishing license)	\$91.75	\$271.75
Junior Fishing (under 18 yrs)	23.75	67.75
Permits and Validations		
Archery or Muzzleloader Permit	\$81.75	N/A
DAV Archery or Muzzleloader Permit	5.75 ea.	
Bear Baiting Permit ¹	34.75	
Hound Hunter Permit ¹	301.75	N/A
Permits and Validations		
Upland Game Bird Permit (Department-stocked birds ;18+ yrs)	\$56.75 ea.	N/A
Sharp-tailed Grouse Permit	17.75	
Disabled Archery or Disabled Motor Vehicle Permit ^{1,3}	1.75	

FEE OR LICENSE	ANNUAL	3-YEAR
Permits and Validations		
Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit	\$5.00	N/A
Salmon or Steelhead Permit	28.25	
Two-Pole Permit	17.00	
Adult Tags		
Deer	\$351.75	N/A
Elk	651.75	
Pronghorn	342.75	
Bear	231.75	
Reduced Bear and Second Bear	41.75 ea	
Mountain Lion	204.50	
Reduced Mountain Lion and Second Mountain Lion	41.75 ea.	
Gray Wolf and Gray Wolf Trapping (expires June 30)	31.75 ea.	
Turkey	88.00 ea.	
Special Unit Turkey	5.00 ea.	
Sage-grouse	74.25 ea.	
Sandhill Crane	74.25	
Swan	67.50	
Moose, Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat (tag only, does not include application fee)	\$2,626.75	
Junior Mentored		
Deer ⁴	\$176.75	N/A
Elk ⁴	299.75	
Bear ⁴	116.75 ea.	
Second Bear ⁴	41.75 ea..	
Turkey ⁴	44.75 ea.	
Disabled American Veteran Tags		
Deer ⁴	\$23.75	N/A
Elk ⁴	39.75	
Bear and Second Bear ⁴	23.75 ea.	
Turkey ⁴	19.75 ea.	
Controlled Hunt		
Application for deer, elk, pronghorn, bear, or Turkey	\$18.00 ea.	N/A
Application for moose, sheep or mt. goat	45.75	

For licenses not listed, please visit our web page at: idfg.idaho.gov.

Nonresident Notes:

- ¹ These licenses and permits are only available at Idaho Fish and Game offices.
- ² Anyone hunting with this license must be accompanied in the field by an adult license holder close enough to be within normal conversation or hearing range without shouting or the aid of electronic devices.
- ³ Disability must be certified by a medical doctor on a Fish and Game form.
- ⁴ Must have a Junior Mentored Hunting license, Junior Hunting Passport, or a DAV license. Any adult accompanying any youth possessing a Junior Mentored tag(s) must have a tag(s) for the same species. Junior Hunting Passport mentors may not accompany more than 2 mentored hunters at one time.
- ⁵ Anyone hunting with this license must be accompanied in the field by an adult license holder close enough to be within normal conversation or hearing range without shouting or the aid of electronic devices. A 9-year old may buy a license to apply for a controlled hunt, but he or she must be 10 years old at the time of the hunt.
- ⁶ Disability must be certified by the U.S. Department of Defense or by Veterans Affairs on their official letterhead showing combined service-connected disability rating of 40% or more.



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Long-billed curlew
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**KNOW YOUR
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Golden eagle
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Ferruginous hawks
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WHEN NOXIOUS WEEDS MOVE IN, WATERFOWL MOVE OUT!

Noxious weeds replace native plants and destroy waterfowl habitat. Most noxious weeds are not suitable for waterfowl forage. Waterfowl will leave areas infested by noxious weeds in search of better habitat.



The estimated damage from noxious weeds/other invasive species worldwide is \$1.4 trillion (5% of the economy).

Noxious weeds can be transported by wind, water, boats, vehicles, wildlife, and **YOU!**

4 WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

1. Learn to identify noxious weeds in your area.
2. Clean boats, trailers, watercraft, vehicles, animals, and equipment before leaving home and your hunting locations.
3. Check your clothing and equipment for weed seeds.
4. Avoid traveling through, camping, or hunting in weed-infested areas.

1-844-WEEDSNO OR WWW.IDAHOWEEDAWARENESS.COM

IDAHO'S TRESPASS LAW

ASK FIRST

Know before you go!



All persons must have written permission or other lawful form of permission to enter or remain on private land to shoot any weapon or hunt, fish, trap or retrieve game. A person should know land is private and they are not allowed without permission because:

- The property is associated with a residence or business;
- OR cultivated;
- OR fenced or enclosed in a way that delineates the private property;
- OR unfenced and uncultivated, but is posted with conspicuous "no trespassing" signs or bright orange/fluorescent paint at all property corners and boundaries where the property intersects navigable streams, roads, gates and rights-of-way entering the land and posted in a way that people can see the postings.

Note – if private property adjoins or is contained within public lands, the fence line adjacent to public land should be posted with "no trespassing signs" or bright orange/fluorescent paint at the corners of the fence adjoining public land and at all navigable streams, roads, gates and rights-of-way entering the private land from public land and posted in a way that people can see the postings.

It is illegal for anyone to post public land that is not held under an exclusive control lease.

Private posting at navigable streams shall not prohibit access to navigable streams below the high-water mark as allowed by Idaho law.

A property owner may revoke permission at any time. Any person must leave private property when asked to do so by the owner or agent.

A first conviction of trespass on private property carries a mandatory one-year revocation of hunting/fishing/trapping licenses in addition to misdemeanor fine and seizure of animals taken on private property. Federal law prohibits unauthorized trespass on Indian-owned reservation lands for hunting, fishing, or trapping purposes.

Refer to Idaho Code 36-1603 and I.C. 18-7008.

Please visit: <https://idfg.idaho.gov/askfirst>

Permission Form

Permission given to (print): _____

Dates permission is valid:

from: _____
to: _____

General Description of Property: _____

Landowner Name (print): _____

Owner or Agent Signature: _____

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